

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Presented below is a complete list of claims with current status indicators. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-14 (cancelled).

15. (New) Device for the evaporation of active substances, comprising:

a casing having at least one slot for diffusion of an active substance to the outside;

a container for containing an active substance, said container being provided with a wick having a lower portion inside the container and an upper portion protruding from the container;

electric plugs for connection of the device to electric mains;

a first heating resistor arranged inside said casing in the vicinity of said upper portion of the wick and connected to the electric plugs;

a fan arranged in said casing for providing an airflow through the upper portion of the wick;

a second heating resistor arranged inside said casing in the vicinity of said upper portion of the wick; and

an electric push button operable to connect said second heating resistor and at the same time act on the speed of said fan to increase the evaporation and diffusion of the active substance.

16. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the fan is switched on by means of the push button.

17. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the fan is connected to the electric plugs and the speed of the fan is increased by means of the push button.

18. (New) Device according to claim 16 or 17, wherein the push button is connected to the fan by means of an electronic circuit and means for regulating the speed of the fan.

19. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the first and second heating resistors and the upper portion of the wick, are arranged in a channel provided in the casing for passage of the airflow.

20. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the casing incorporates a case and a base provided with slots for entry of air.

21. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the wick is connected to an evaporation intensity regulator.

22. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein a luminous indicator is connected to the push button to show the activation situation of the second heating resistor.

23. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein means are provided for deactivating the boost mode.

24. (New) Device according to claim 22, wherein the means for deactivating include the push button, which when again pressed determines a change from boost mode to normal operating mode.

25. (New) Device according to claim 23 or 24, wherein the means for deactivating includes a timer which determines a change from boost mode to normal operating mode after a predefined period of time.